

COUNSELING

School of Education

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MEd Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 48–54 credits

School Counselor certification: 39 or 45 credits

The University of Alaska Graduate Counseling Program prepares students to become culturally responsive effective practitioners through coursework and supervised internship experiences that emphasize an ecological perspective. Students who complete the School Counseling track, a 48 credit-hour program, are eligible to be licensed as professional school counselors in the state of Alaska. Students who complete the Community Counseling track, a 54 credit-hour program, are eligible for licensure as mental health counselors, with additional post-degree requirements. Students who complete this track are eligible to work in community/mental health agencies or as private clinicians once licensed. Students who are completing either program track through distance education are required to complete COUN F634—Practicum in Individual Counseling and COUN F674—Group Counseling on the Fairbanks campus. These courses are offered in alternating summers.

MEd Degree

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
 - a. Applications will be reviewed on March 1 for admission to the fall semester.
 - b. Admission requires a bachelor's degree in a human service area such as education, social work, psychology, human services, etc. Suitability of other degrees will be considered on an individual basis by counseling faculty.
 - c. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher in their undergraduate degree or take the Graduate Record Exam.
2. Complete the general university requirements (page 200).
3. Complete the master's degree requirements (page 204).
4. Complete internship placements appropriate to the student's declared area of interest.
5. Complete the following:

COUN F615—Foundations of Counseling.....	3
COUN F623—Counseling Theories and Applications I.....	3
COUN F627—Developmental Interventions* (3)	
or COUN F629—Counseling Interventions for Adults (3).....	3
COUN F628—Child and Adolescent Development.....	3
COUN F632—Career Development.....	3
COUN F630—Appraisal for Counselors.....	3
COUN F634—Practicum in Individual Counseling.....	3
COUN F636—Internship I**.....	3
COUN F647—Professional Ethics.....	3
COUN F660—Cross-Cultural Counseling.....	3
COUN F674—Group Counseling.....	3
COUN F686—Internship II**.....	3
COUN F698—Non-thesis Research/Project (3–6)	
or COUN F699—Thesis (6).....	3–6
ED F601—Introduction to Applied Social Science Research.....	3

6. Complete the following classes for school counseling track:

COUN F646—School Counseling.....	3
Elective credits.....	3
 7. Complete the following for K–12 school counseling track (elementary and secondary):

COUN F646—School Counseling.....	3
COUN F687—Internship III**.....	3
COUN F688—Internship IV**.....	3
Elective credits.....	3
 8. Complete the following classes for community counseling track:

COUN F638—Adult Development.....	3
COUN F650—Cross Cultural Psychopathology.....	3
COUN F666—Family and Network Therapy.....	3
COUN F687—Internship III**.....	3
 9. Minimum credits required..... 48–54
- * School Counseling students must complete COUN F627—Developmental Interventions.
- ** Additional fee required. Charges are added to fee statements each semester.
- Note: Courses assigned by the student's graduate committee to remove deficiencies will not be allowed as part of the graduate program.

School Counselor Certification Program

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
 - a. Application to the licensure only program follows the same admission requirements and procedures as for the MEd in counseling.
 - b. People who currently hold master's degrees in education or one of several helping professions such as social work, psychology, or human services (as approved by counseling faculty) may apply.
 2. Complete the following requirements for certification in one level (Elementary or Secondary):

COUN F615—Foundations of Counseling.....	3
COUN F623—Counseling Theories and Applications I.....	3
COUN F627—Developmental Interventions.....	3
COUN F628—Child and Adolescent Development.....	3
COUN F632—Career Development.....	3
COUN F630—Appraisal for Counselors.....	3
COUN F634—Practicum in Individual Counseling.....	3
COUN F636—Internship I**.....	3
COUN F646—School Counseling.....	3
COUN F647—Professional Ethics.....	3
COUN F660—Cross-Cultural Counseling.....	3
COUN F674—Group Counseling.....	3
COUN F686—Internship II**.....	3
 3. Complete the following additional classes for K–12 school counseling certification (Elementary and Secondary):

COUN F687—Internship III**.....	3
COUN F688—Internship IV**.....	3
 4. Minimum credits required..... 39 or 45
- ** Additional fee required. Charges are added to fee statements each semester. Students must take 15 UAF credits. Up to 30 graduate transfer credits from a previous degree program may be applied, as approved by the School of Education counseling program.